

are creating considerable impact on the general public, an Inter-Departmental Committee was constituted by the Government to study the various aspects of establishment of Cable TV Networks and Dish Antennae systems in the country. The Committee had, inter-alia, recommended the setting-up of a National Cable Authority to co-ordinate all matters regarding regulation of Cable TV. The recommendations of the Committee are under the consideration of the Government.

Air Transmitters

5193 SHRI ANANTRAJ DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state

(a) the number of AIR transmitter under construction in the country, and

(b) the target dates of completion of these transmitters and the progress of the construction work so far?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b) Presently, All India Radio transmitters are being installed at 91 places in the country. Civil works at 65 places have been completed. Projects at 67 locations are targeted to be completed technically in 1992-93, 16 in 1993-94 and 8 in 1994-95.

[Translation]

Generation of Power in Bihar

5194. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHAUDHARY: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of power in units being supplied to other States out of the Power generated in Bihar;

(b) the extent of power in units being supplied to Bihar from other States;

(c) the share of power likely to be provided to Bihar from the power Projects of Central Sector under construction in the Eastern region and the location thereof;

(d) whether power is being supplied by the Union Government to Bihar from the power project in that State; and

(e) if not, reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE

MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATHRAI): (a) to (e). Bihar is meeting its requirements from its own generation, shares in Central Power Projects of Farakka Super Thermal Power Station (located in West Bengal) and Chukha Hydro Electric Project (located in Bhutan) and assistance from the unallocated portion of the Central Sector Stations and neighbouring Systems.

The details of the assistance received by Bihar from the Central Stations and neighbouring systems during April, 91-February, 92

System/Station	Assistance (in million units)
1. Farakka STPS/Chukha HEP	1835
2. DVC	26
3. Northern Region	828
Total	2689

No power was supplied from Bihar to other states during the above period. The shares from the Central Sector stations in a region among the beneficiary States are decided in accordance with the Central formula sharing of power.

[English]

Coal Supply to Vijayawada Thermal Power Station

5195. DR. D. VENKATESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme has been implemented to supply coal to the Vijayawada thermal power station;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the project is lying idle for nearly twelve years;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken to utilise the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVEN-